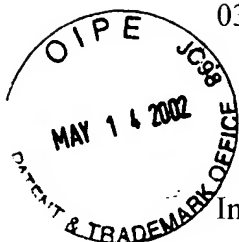


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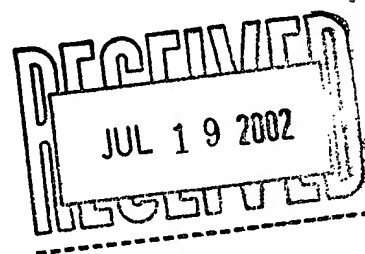
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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed below and on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

FOREIGN PATENT

<u>Patent No.</u>	<u>Country</u>	<u>Publication Date</u>
6-311428	Japan	November 4, 1994

REMARKS

The JP '428 reference relates to a multi-screen display, and discloses a multi-screen display system for viewing several TV programs simultaneously, including the use of on-screen display to indicate target screen to simplify operation when viewing video or audio parameters. An English translation of the JP '428 reference is not readily available to Applicant's attorney, but may be provided if requested by the Examiner. An English abstract obtained from a commercial database also is enclosed as an English language statement of relevance.

FEE STATEMENT

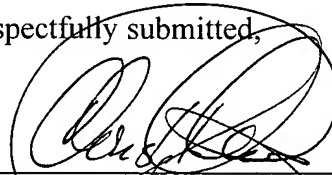
The present Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the filing date of the present application, or prior to the mailing of an initial official action. Accordingly, Applicant believes that no fee is required. Nevertheless, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee necessitated by this paper to Deposit Account No. 06-1205.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

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